

DECISION LIST

HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING – 7 MARCH 2002

AGENDA ITEM NO.	ITEM	DECISION	REASON	OFFICER
4	Housing Best Value Review 2002/03	Recommend that Scrutiny Committee 1 approve the terms of reference for the Housing Best Value Review 2002/03 as set out in the report	The terms of reference covered the essential issues to be answered as part of the review	RC
5	Consultation Paper – Local Authority Health Overview and Scrutiny	1 The Government be advised that: this Committee should exercise the scrutiny role in relation to the Uttlesford PCT and all other health service provision for this area; and 2 that the following principles be adopted: (a) members of wider scrutiny and overview committees should be members of this Committee; (b) adequate background papers should be made available to scrutiny committees; and (c) this Council will work together with other authorities where appropriate	To enable the Council to carry out an effective scrutiny and overview role within the remit laid down	WC
6	Supporting People – Commissioning Body Representative	Recommend that the Council appoint a member representative to serve on the Essex-wide Supporting People Commissioning Body	To enable the Council to be represented on the body responsible for funding arrangements within Essex	RC
7	Environmental Services Enforcement Policy	Adopt the Environmental Services Enforcement Policy subject to the following additional comments or	To enable the Council's statutory enforcement powers to be carried out within an agreed policy framework and to	GS/WC

		<p>amendments:</p> <p>1 in place of 'to take no action' under enforcement options, substitute 'to issue appropriate advice';</p> <p>2 include a specific reference to border inspection post activities at Stansted Airport in relation to food safety policy;</p> <p>3 include under 'aims and principles' a statement confirming we will work closely with other regulatory services such as building control</p>	<p>provide assurances to customers (Please note that this report will also be considered by the Environment & Transport Committee on 19 March.)</p>	
8	Housing Revenue Account Update	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>1 the action taken by officers, in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee, to arrange a 'rent-free' week in the week commencing 31 March 2003 be approved; and</p> <p>2 unless there are good reasons for acting otherwise, the opportunity to have a 'rent-free' week whenever there are 53 rent weeks in a year be adopted as policy</p>	<p>To overcome the problem caused by 2002/03 being a 53 week rent year which was not foreseen when the HRA accounts were adopted, and to adopt a policy to deal with this occurrence in future years</p>	MD/RC
9	Pre-paint Repairs and Redecoration Programme 2002/03	<p>That the approved budgets for the pre-paint repairs and redecoration programme for 2002/03 be increased by £30,000</p>	<p>To comply with Standing Orders and to enable the contract to be let</p>	RC
10	Former Tenant Rent Arrears – Write Offs	<p>Recommend to Resources that the list of former tenant rent arrears as presented be written off</p>	<p>To comply with the requirements of the Council's Financial Regulations</p>	RC